Rail Bridges and Electrification of Rail Routes in U.P., Rajasthan and Orissa

1043. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the urgent need for construction of railway bridges/electrification of rail routes in U.P., Rajasthan and Orissa;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof for the last three years, State-wise and year-wise and the target fixed for 2002-2003; and

(c) the amount of budgetary allocations made during 2002-2003 for construction of rail bridges/electrification of rail routes, as compared to 2000-2001, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) The construction of railway bridges is being done as part of new lines, gauge conversions and doubling projects as per the requirement. The need for completion of these bridges is along with the respective project. The railway electrification of a rail route is undertaken on techno-economic merits and operational requirements on a network basis depending on annual budgetary provision.

(b) Details of the routes electrified in last three years in states of UP, Rajasthan and Orissa and target fixed for 2002-03 is given as under:—

	Achievements for 1998-99 to 2000-01						Targets for 2002-03	
State	**1998-99**	**Rkm**	**1999-2000**	**Rkm**	**2000-01**	**Rkm**	**Section**	**Rkm**
UP	Kanpur bridge Unnao	14	Kuchman-Dildar Nagar	49	—	—	Khan Alampura-Roorkee	32
	Mugalsarai-Kuchman	7	Saharanpur-Khanlampura	8				
			Kanpur-Kanpur bridge	4				
			Unnao-Lucknow	56				
	Total	**21**		**117**		**NIL**		**32**
Rajasthan		—	nil	—	—	—	—	—
Orissa	Rangra-Kiriburu	14	Ichhapuram-Brahmapur	24	Brahmapur-Tapang	126	Amarda-Bhadrak	96
	Bondamunda yard	8			Bondamunda-Orga	27	Kenduapada-Kapilas Road	85
	Meramandoli-Talcher	16			Lakshnath Road-Jaleswar	8	Kapilas Road-Barang	26
	Bhadrak-Kenduapada	16						
	Total	**34**		**24**		**161**		**207**

(c) No separate allocation has been made for construction of rail bridges as these are part of sanctioned New Lines, Gauge Conversion and Doubling projects. The budgetary allocations for Railway Electrification projects in UP, Rajasthan & Orissa made during 2002-2003 as compared to 2000-2001 is given as under:

Name of State	Allocation for 2000-01 (Rs. in crs.)	Allocation for 2002-03 (Rs. in crs.)
Orissa	62	28.57
Rajasthan	Nil	Nil
Uttar Pradesh	33	45

Modification/sanitation at Mainpuri platform

†1044. SHRI VIJAY SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce any new train between Delhi and Mainpuri in the new financial year, besides the already operating Kalindi Express;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have taken any steps for reconstruction of and sanitation at the Mainpuri railway platform, as passengers have to fact inconvenience;

(d) whether Government would take steps for modification/ sanitation at the Mainpuri platform; and

(e) if so, whether any time-limit has been fixed for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE

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